Thursday, April 10, 2008

## Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 16

**Subject:** Approve a resolution authorizing the filing of eminent domain proceedings for the Govalle 4 – Waller Pedernales Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, to acquire a 1,949 square foot permanent wastewater line easement and a 1,949 square foot temporary working space easement out of Outlot 28, Division "O", as shown on "a topographical map of the government tract adjoining the City of Austin, on file in the General Land Office of the State of Texas, Travis County, Texas, in the amount of \$39,078. The owner of the needed property interests is Villasenor Family Limited Partnership, a Texas limited partnership. The property is located at 2704 East Cesar Chavez Street, Austin, Travis County, Texas.

**Amount and Source of Funding:** Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2007-2008 Capital Budget of the Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

The City of Austin is upgrading its wastewater collection system as mandated by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Administrative Order, received April 29, 1999.

The design plans for the Govalle 4 – Waller Pedernales Wastewater Improvement Project, a portion of the Austin Clean Water Program, require the acquisition of a permanent wastewater line easement and a temporary working space easement on the property located at 2704 East Cesar Chavez Street, Austin, Texas. The City of Austin has attempted to purchase the needed permanent wastewater line easement and temporary working space easement; however, the parties have been unable to agree on the fair market value thereof. The Law Department is requesting authorization to file an action in eminent domain on behalf of the City of Austin.